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Hon. M.A. Hanna  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:- - - The above association desire you to use your influence to have investigated the recent out rages in the Carolinas, such brutal treatment of my race is a disgrace to civilization, The treatment of the Armenians by the Turks and the cruelties of the Spanards is nothing to the willful murders at Wilmington N. C. this happened in a Christain land our civilization is said to be the best in the world yet the world cannot furnish an example of butchery as was done in the Carolinias, The officials at Washington claim they are powerless to do anything in this matter, but we do remember how Grover Cleveland Come to the rescue of Chicago when that great city was threathend with destruction by the [illegible]kers, and [illegible] to without the consent of the Governor of that state. it showed at that time that the Goverment at Washington was paramount to any state Govrement, when the lives and property of the citizens were in danger of destruction. The Republican party has allways posed as the friend of the Negro, and the Negro has so regarded that party, and he allyed himself with that party, believeing it to be his friend, yet that friend stands by and sees him robed of both his political and civil rights, without makeing a protest Against such treatment, What if some friend of yours would serve you as our friends (The Republican party) has servd us? you would perhaps become suspicious of your friends, this is the predicament of the American Negro today. There can be no excuse this time by the Republicans, as they are in power root and branch.

We have looked upon you as our friend ever since you have been in public life, therefore we implore you to use your best endeavors to have something done [by] this Congress to remedy this Evil which threthens the life of the Goverment its self.

Hopeing to get an expression from you on this important question  
We remain

Yours truly

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